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# Newsletter

# NDACTE Teacher of the Year: Amy Kram, Langdon

Amy Kram, Family and Consumer Sciences Teacher and FCCLA adviser, will be starting her eleventh year at Langdon Area High School. She received her bachelor's degree in Family and Consumer Sciences from North Dakota State University in 1998 and then taught at Rolla High School for thirteen years. She received her Master's Degree from North Dakota State University in 2014.

Amy has been a member of NDEA, NDU, NATFACS and ACTE/NDACTE. She was awarded the North Dakota Outstanding Young Educator Award for Family and Consumer Sciences in 2000.



Amy and her husband Curt have two sons, Ethan and Tyler. They live in rural Wales where they also farm with family.

# NDACTE New Teacher of the Year: Breanna Bregel, Wahpeton

Breanna Bregel is an Agricultural Education instructor at Southeast Region Career and Technology Center and Wahpeton High School. She is in her fourth year of teaching. She served as a state officer for FFA in 2013-2014. She has a degree in Agricultural Education and a minor in Animal Science from North Dakota State University. She also has a Master's Degree in Agricultural Education. She is a National FFA Teacher Ambassador and a National Agriscience Teacher Ambassador. Breanna serves as the NDAAE Assistant Secretary, District 5



Representative on the North Dakota FFA Board of Directors, is on the Strategic Planning Committee for NAAE, and on the Professional Development Committee for NDAAE. Breanna also co-hosts Hear by the Owl Podcast to support agricultural teachers across the country.

#### **Dates of Interest**

September 21-22, 2021

Program Evaluation Lake Area CTC, Devils Lake

September 28-29, 2021

Program Evaluation Williston High School

September 29-30, 2021

Program Evaluation
Watford City High School

October 5-6, 2021

Program Evaluation
Turtle Mountain Community
College, Belcourt
Virtual Evaluation

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#### Harvey Link Recognized as the NDCTEA Administrator of the Year

Harvey Link most recently served as Vice President for Academic Affairs at the North Dakota State College of Science, Wahpeton, ND, a position he held since 2008. He retired in July 2021 after 43 years at NDSCS. During his time at NDSCS, Harvey served the college in a variety of other positions including instructor, department chair, dean, and Vice President for Institutional Advancement.

A strong believer in professional involvement, Harvey provided nineteen years of continuous service in state, regional, and national professional Career and Technical Education organizations in various leadership capacities. This included President of the North Dakota Vocational Association and Vic President of Region V of the American Vocational Association, among others. He served as the National President of ACTE, testified before Congress and the North Dakota State Legislature multiple times in support of CTE, workforce development and higher education and has presented at numerous state and national conferences. In 2014 he was inducted into the ACTE Region V Hall of Fame. He has been honored with the Excellence in Service Award by the NDSCS Alumni Foundation, the NDACTE Outstanding Service Award and many other awards.

As a community member Harvey is active in his church and community groups. He has served on the St. Francis Hospital Board of Directors and/or Audit Committee for over 15 years. Harvey and his wife Gale, a retired elementary school teacher, live in Wahpeton. They are the parents of three grown children and grandparents to six grandchildren.



Harvey Link, Administrator of the Year

#### **Career Ready Practices Trainings Scheduled**

If you were not able to attend the session at PDC, the following trainings are scheduled throughout the state.

#### September 2021

8	Bismarck NDIT Normandy Building	22	Grand Forks Job Service of ND
9	Watford City High School	23	West Fargo Public Schools
14	Minot Public Schools	28	Jamestown Public School
15	Devils Lake School for the Deaf		

Who Should Attend: All school districts must attend with CTE teachers and a PowerSchool technology administrator. Purpose: For validation under ND Choice Ready—Work Baes Learning (Perkins V)

#### **NDACTE Impact Awards Presented**



Dakota Agronomy Partners and the United Agronomy were recognized with the NDACTE Impact Award for Business Education Partnership during the 2021 North Dakota Professional Development Conference.

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The partnership with Bismarck State College has resulted in two Associate in Applied Science degrees in Agronomy, Industry and Technology and Agribusiness. In addition the marketing, recruiting, and outreach agreement plan was most innovative. The plan includes a team effort between the partners and opportunity outreach to urban and rural high school students.

Approximately 330 BSC Agriculture program students have been placed into paid internship opportunities.

# **North Dakota ACTE Recognizes Teachers & Administrators** Congratulations!

Photos and information submitted by Carla Hixon, NDACTE Executive Director



Breanna Bregel **SRCTC Wahpeton** Wahpeton High School **Agriculture Education** New Teacher of the Year



Tony Boehm Southeast Career and **Technology Center and Richland** 44 high school Agricultural Education **Carl Perkins Community** Service Award



Karlee Feist Hope-Page High School Family and Consumer **Sciences Education** New Teacher of the Year



Kellie Meyer Minot Public Schools Career Guidance Award

**Dale Hoerauf Bismarck Career** Academy, Bismarck **Public Schools** 

Administrator of the Year Award

Dale Hoerauf is the Director of Career and Technical Education

career options.

Bismarck Public Schools. He serves as the director of the Bismarck Career Academy, Director of the Central Regional Area Career and Technical Center and the Bismarck Adult Learning Center. He has a Maser's degree in secondary administration from the University of North Dakota. He has been with Bismarck Public Schools for 37 years. Mr. Hoerauf is a strong advocate for Career and Technical Education as he continuously works with local and state leaders, as well as local/regional/state industry partners to enhance learning opportunities for students at the high school level to better prepare them for future



Dan Rood **Southeast Region** Career and **Technology Center** 

Administrator of the Year Award

Dan Rood, Jr. is the Director at Southeast Region Career and



Technology Center in Wahpeton. The center serves 14 school districts and over 1,600 students. He has served on many different boards and offices throughout his career. Dan started out working in a grocery store stocking shelves and started teaching in 1978.

He became the director in 1984 after teaching marketing education and serving as a local DECA advisor. He retired in June, 2021 and is excited to relax with his family during retirement. He served on many boards for many organizations and had a four year stint as the Mayor of Wahpeton.

## **Increasing Wealth Through Farm Management Education**

-Craig Kleven, Supervisor, Agricultural Education and Farm Business Management

North Dakota is fortunate with four colleges (BSC, DCB, LRSC, NDSCS) and Glen Ullin High School who offer one -to-one Farm



Management Education Program instruction, a program specifically designed to benefit current and future farmers/ranchers (producers). Does ND take for granted what the program has to offer? Does ND really know and understand the value the instructors bring to agricultural businesses? Farm Management Education instructors are constantly working to provide up to-date financial training with applicable on-farm services. This constant work focuses on delivering valuable training to the producer to enhance their profitably.

Henry Ford said, "Wealth will never be achieved when sought after directly...it only comes as the byproduct of providing useful service." Farmers and ranchers provide useful products and Farm Management Education instructors provide useful services and training with the intention of helping producers build wealth.

Instructors strive to work together with many other agricultural businesses. This cooperation may be found in instructors presenting at meetings, working with loan officers, Farm Service Agency borrower training, collaboration with the ND Department of Agriculture, and one-on-one training/assistance on the farm. Professionals across the state are all receiving benefits from Farm Management Education.

A November 2020 survey resulted in a very prominent fact that 50% of enrollees surveyed benefit from an annual economic gain of \$10,000.00 or more. 17% indicated an annual economic gain of \$50,000.00 or more. This is an excellent return on investment when a program enrollee pays and average annual enrollment fee of only \$750.00. There is not another comprehensive program with this low cost to high return ratio.

Visit ndfarmmanagement.com or Facebook @NDFarmManagementEducation for more information.



What is the annual economic gain of participating in the Farm Management program for your farm/ranch?

# North Dakota Programs Receive Director's Award of Excellence

Agricultural Education

Mandan Public Schools, Mandan



Business Education
Minot Public Schools, Minot



Health Sciences Education
SERCTC, Wahpeton and Oakes





Information Technology Education
Cass County Career and Technology Center, Fargo



Marketing Education
Fargo South High School, Fargo



#### North Dakota Programs Receive Director's Award of Excellence

**Special Populations Red River High School, Grand Forks** 



Technology and Engineering Education
Minot Public Schools, Minot



Trade, Industry & Technical Education
Cass County Career and Technology Center,
Aviation Program, Fargo



#### **PDC College Credit Trivia...**

- 197 participants completed the assignments for credit.
- Only 6 participants left the assignment until the last day.
- Just over 1/2 of the submissions were completed in the first four days after the conference.
- Most people chose NDSU for their credit; followed by UND, VCSU and Minot State.

#### Roughrider Area Career and Technology Center Health Science Education Bobbi Schneider

The Roughrider Career and Technology Center Health Sciences Program provides all students with quality career planning and technical education programs. The program is designed to expose students to different health care careers through guest speakers, job shadowing, and hands on activities.



#### State Director's Column

-Wayde Sick, Director, North Dakota Career and Technical Education

#### ESSA...CHOICE READY...PERKINS V

Since the passing of ESSA and implementation of the Choice Ready Framework, the Department of Career and Technical Education has partnered with the Department of Public Instruction in implementation. This partnership expanded with the passing of the Strengthening Career and Technical Education in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century Act, better known as Perkins V.

As we know, for a student to be considered Choice Ready, they must complete both the Essential Skills and

at least two of the Choice Ready components. Those components are Post-Secondary Ready, Workforce Ready, and Military Ready. Career and Technical Education is embedded in two major portions of Choice Ready and those areas are the Essential Skills and Workforce Ready. First, let's discuss the Essential Skills portion. To complete the Essential Skills, a student must complete four or more of the indicators. Indicators that align with CTE are as follows:

- Career Exploration Experience These include field trips, guest speakers and career fairs.
- Two or more years in organized Co-curricular Activities which includes the various CTSOs.

Demonstrate competency in 21<sup>st</sup> Century Skills, such as the Career Ready Practices. The Workforce Ready component is almost exclusively based on enrollment in Career and Technical Education programs. This includes enrollment in three or more CTE courses, completing the Career Ready Practices, Dual Credit, WorkKeys, etc. New to Choice Ready due to the passing of Perkins V, is Work-based Learning. I have discussed Work-Based Learning multiple times in my articles, so I won't go into detail here.

The point of this discussion is to illustrate how the accountability requirements of two Federal laws have been braided with the benefit focusing on North Dakota students. This merging of ideas helps students, whatever path they may be on, be successful.

To learn more about Choice Ready and Work-Based Learning, please visit the links below.

Choice Ready (nd.gov)
WBL Guidance.pdf (nd.gov)

If you have questions, do not hesitate to contact either Mark Wagner (mawagner@nd.gov) or Wayde Sick (wasick@nd.gov).

The Department of Career and Technical Education is here to assist you during these unprecedented times. Our team is committed to providing you with information and resources that will allow you to continue to teach North Dakota's students skills that will put them on a career pathway to success.

Wayde Sick

State Director

North Dakota CTE

Did you know...

607 people registered for PDC in 2021.

There were 37 exhibitors at PDC 2021.

We had 4 Silver Level Sponsors and 3 Bronze Sponsors at PDC 2021.

There were over 450 people at the Awards Luncheon that recognized our teachers, counselors and administrators and programs.

40+ companies were involved in the Industry Round Tables.

#### Single Sign-On Is Here!

-Julie Hersch, Career Resource Network Supervisor



The Career Resource Network and the North Dakota Department of Career and Technical Education are thrilled to

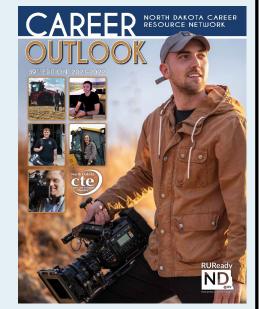
announce single sign-on to **RUReady.ND.gov**. We've been hearing from users that signing students on to their **RUReady.ND.gov** account has been a very frustrating experience using precious classroom time in the process. We wanted to eliminate that frustration and give users back some time, so they can use all the great resources that **RUReady.ND.gov** has to offer. This great opportunity is now available to all students in grades 6-12 who attend public schools in North Dakota.



Public school students will be able to access their **RUReady.ND.gov** account by simply signing into their PowerSchool account then entering the ND Education Portal and clicking on the **RUReady.ND.gov** tab. If your school doesn't use PowerSchool, you may have an option to purchase single sign-on from XAP. If you are interested in getting single sign-on for your school, please contact the CRN for more information.

Another valuable CRN resource is the *Career Outlook* magazine which is published annually and distributed to schools across the state. This magazine contains information about the many opportunities available to students in North Dakota, education and training requirements, the earning potential within a career field, the number of available jobs in ND, and feature articles about people from North Dakota who have developed leadership skills and achieved success through their involvement with Career and Technical Student Organizations (CTSOs) The *Career Outlook* also includes a User's Guide (COUG) which is a companion lesson plan guide to the *Career Outlook* magazine. You can view this fantastic resource as well as the current and past issues at <a href="https://www.cte.nd.gov/career-resource-network-resources">https://www.cte.nd.gov/career-resource-network-resources</a>.

We will be offering CRN workshops this fall and again in the spring. The workshops include topics such as RUReady Basics, Maximizing Use of RUReady, Regional Career Professionals and more. We will provide certification of completed hours for those



individuals that are looking for credit or professional development documentation. If you attend 3 CRN Workshops (15 hours) you will be able to register to receive 1 credit through the University of North Dakota.

Learn more and register for workshops at <a href="www.cte.nd.gov/crnworkshops">www.cte.nd.gov/crnworkshops</a>.

For more information about the Career Resource Network, contact Julie Hersch (juhersch@nd.gov, 701-328-9734) or Laura Glasser (leglasser@nd.gov, 701-328-9733).

#### **Assistant Director Corner**

## **Perkins V: CTE Program Quality**

While improving Career Technical Education (CTE) programs has always been a hallmark of the Carl D. Perkins Act, the Strengthening Career and Technical Education for the 21st Century Act (Perkins V) brings a new opportunity to put the quality of CTE programs front and center. Perkins V requires a description of how local recipients are approved for Perkins funding and how the local application promotes continuous improvement in the state plan, and the comprehensive local needs assessment that all local recipients must complete at the beginning of the grant (and update at least once every two years after that) includes a review of whether CTE programs are of sufficient size, scope, and quality to meet the needs of all students served by the local recipient and are meeting labor market needs.

One of the roles of the State Department is to provide technical assistance for program improvement as we evaluate the programs across the state to ensure that approved CTE programs continue to provide high-quality instruction and opportunities for learners. All programs are evaluated, at a minimum, every five years as part of a team vision visit, or individually by the state staff.

The on-site vision visit consists of:

**Commendations** - Strengths of the program.

**Suggestions** - Opportunities that can improve the program.

**Recommendations** - Requirements to fulfill the intent of the law/policy.

Our goal is that all programs are in a continuous improvement process to offer a quality program based on current standards. This year's schedule located at <a href="https://www.cte.nd.gov/educators">https://www.cte.nd.gov/educators</a> under Program Vision Visits.



Mark Wagner, Assistant Director, North Dakota Career and Technical Education

#### **Mission of CTE**

The mission of the State Board for Career and Technical Education is to work with others to provide all North Dakota citizens with the technical skills, knowledge, and attitudes necessary for successful performance in a globally competitive workplace.

# CTSO Leadership Perspective

Taking career and technical education classes every year of high school has given me the opportunity to be involved in DECA. During my 4 years, from my classroom to DECA, I have gained many skills that will help me in the future, I have learned how to be a better leader, how to compete and how to network with anyone. Marketing Education classes and DECA has helped me find my future career path and given me the necessary skills to get there.

Logan Heger, ND DECA President, is a senior and a fourth year member of DECA at West Fargo High School.





Thank you for attending the 50th North Dakota Career and Technical Education Professional Development Conference. We hope you enjoyed the general sessions, industry round tables, trade show exhibits and spot-

light on post-secondary, featured workshops, and the information you were provided in your program area sessions, as well as the networking and social activities including the 50th Celebration on Monday evening.





















